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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA TIMING OF INITIAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

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1. FURTHER REVIEW OF AFRICAN ATTITUDES REGARDING TIMING OF INITIAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING ON NAMIBIA INDICATES THAT AFRICANS DO NOT REPEAT NOT GO ALONG WITH MEETING PRIOR TO CONCLUSION OF OAU SUMMIT IN KHARTOUM. WE BELIEVE THAT AFRICANS WILL NOT SEEK TO DELAY MEETING BEYOND WEEK OF JULY 17 TO ACCOMMODATE NAM FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING IN BELGRADE. IN JULY 15 CONVERSATION (MAPUTO 901),

MOZAMBICAN PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER VIEIRA NOTED POSSIBLE
OVERLAP BETWEEN SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING AND NAM FOREIGN
MINISTER SESSION, BUT ADDED THAT "SECURITY COUNCIL HAS
PRIORITY."

2. SHOULD DAVID OWEN PRESS FOR SECURITY COUNCIL ACTION
DURING WEEK OF JULY 17 WHEN NAMIBIA IS DISCUSSED AT BONN
MEETING, WE SUGGEST THAT YOU URGE PATIENCE IN VIEW OF
NECESSITY OF FULL AFRICAN SUPPORT ONCE COUNCIL TAKES UP
NAMIBIA ISSUE. CHRISTOPHER

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